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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE — January 13, 2026

Casey Hackford-Peer

PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Happy New Year Everyone. I hope everyone had a great holiday season. Our holiday party seemed to go over well.

Last year we had many interesting presentations. This year I plan on continuing this.

This coming month we will be having Steven Cuthberg come give a presentation on different private mints that have been in Utah over the last 50 years. It should be really interesting so make sure to be there.

Thank You,
Casey Hackford-Peer
President

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1854-S Quarter Eagle
XF45 PCGS. CAC
Ex: Rio Rancho

1879 Coiled Hair Stella
Judd-1638
PR66 Cameo PCGS
Ex: Trompeter

1880 Coiled Hair Stella
Judd-1660
PR67 Cameo NGC
Ex: Clapp-Eliasberg

1829 Large Diameter Half Eagle
BD-1, Large Date
MS66 NGC
Ex: Bass

1854-O Double Eagle
AU55 PCGS
Ex: R.L. Miles

1867 Double Eagle
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Ex: Clapp-Eliasberg-Trompeter

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CRAZY INTERNET ADS

Douglas Nyholm

I have been receiving multiple ads on my phone and internet about common coins being valued at hundreds of millions of dollars. Now to my knowledge the highest price ever paid for a coin is about $18 million for the 1933 St. Gaudens double eagle. But wait, This Lincoln penny still in circulation is worth $153 million. You better start checking your change or….are there just scammers and shysters out there trying something new to separate you from your money.

Discover the $153 Million Lincoln Wheat Penny Still in Circulation – Is Yours Worth a Fortune?

December 5, 2025 by Khesari Lal

$153 Million Lincoln Wheat Penny Still in Circulation: Few coins capture the imagination of collectors and casual enthusiasts alike like the Lincoln Wheat Penny. Introduced over a century ago, it has become an enduring symbol of American history. While most wheat pennies are worth only a few cents or a couple of dollars, a rare variant has captured headlines worldwide. Valued at an astonishing $153 million, this coin is still theoretically in circulation today. The idea that such a treasure could be in your pocket or coin jar has sparked excitement and curiosity among collectors and everyday people alike.

The Lincoln Wheat Penny is more than just a coin; it is a piece of American history, a collector's dream, and in rare cases, a potential fortune. The 1943 copper penny, valued at an astonishing $153 million, is a testament to how historical significance, rarity, and condition can transform an ordinary coin into a treasure.

Shown here is a 1968-D Proof Lincoln cent worth $3 Million.

Better check your change possibly you could retire!

Ten State Quarters Now Worth $11 Million: Could Your Spare Change Hold a Hidden Fortune?

December 5, 2025 by Khesari Lal

Ten State Quarters Now Worth $11 Million: For many, spare change is something we throw into a jar, toss into a cup holder in the car, or simply forget about. But for a select group of people, that seemingly insignificant pocket change has turned into a small fortune. Over the past few decades, the U.S. Mint has released a series of commemorative state quarters, each celebrating a different state in the union. These coins were initially issued for general circulation, but over time, some have become highly sought after by collectors and investors. In fact, there are a handful of state quarters that are now worth millions of dollars.

Why invest in a $6 million 1804 dollar when you could purchase a few State Quarters for $11 million?

8 Rare Bicentennial Quarters Worth a Fortune – Are You Sitting on a $270 Million Treasure?

December 8, 2025 by Rayson Sir

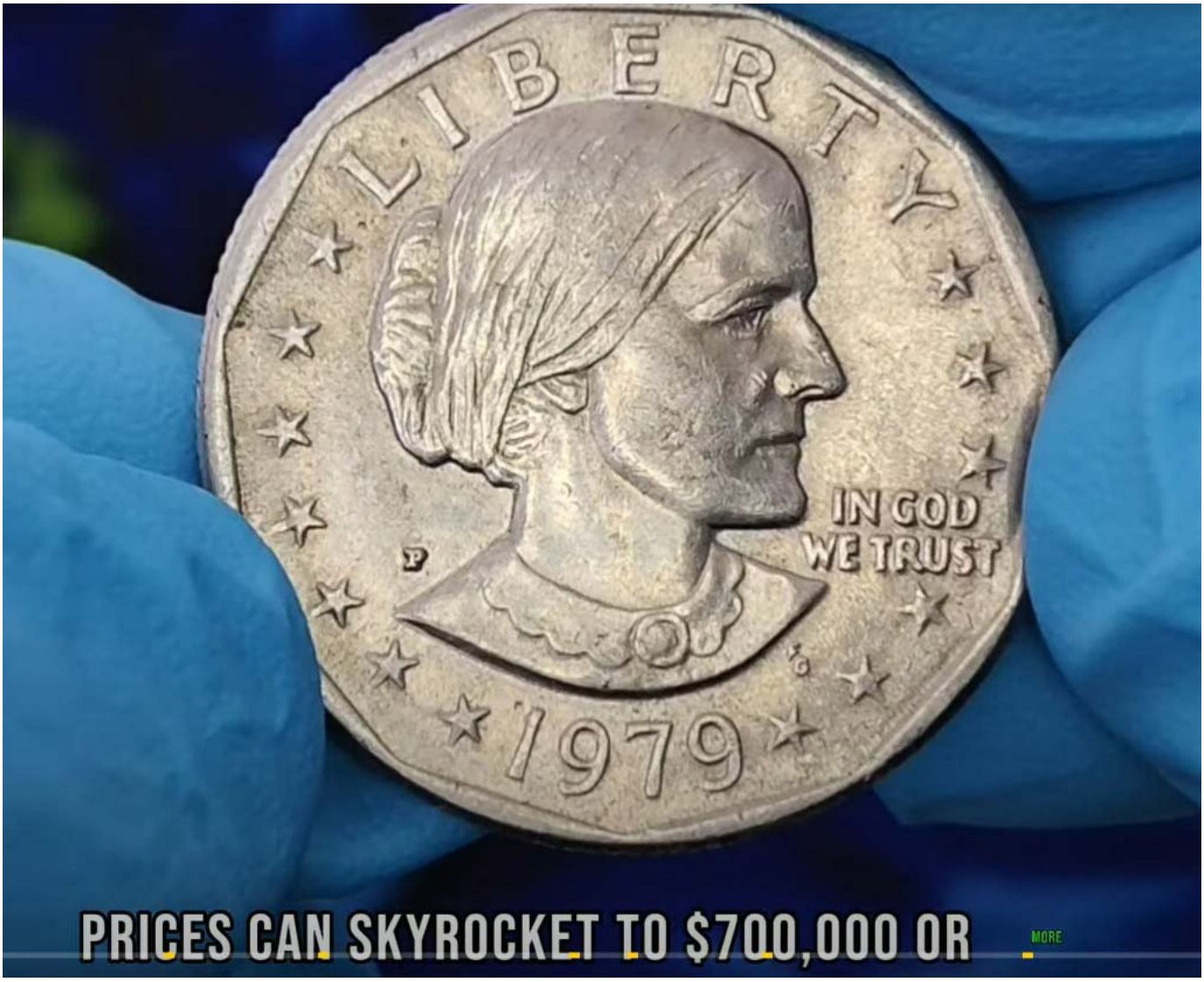
8 Rare Bicentennial Quarters Worth a Fortune: The 1976 Bicentennial quarters were issued to celebrate the United States' 200th anniversary. While most circulated coins hold only face value, a select few rare editions have skyrocketed in value due to minting errors, limited production, and unique features. Collectors and treasure hunters continue to search change jars, coin rolls, and collections hoping to uncover one of these valuable quarters.

Lincoln Wheat Penny Valued at $115 Million – Rare Coin Still in Circulation Today

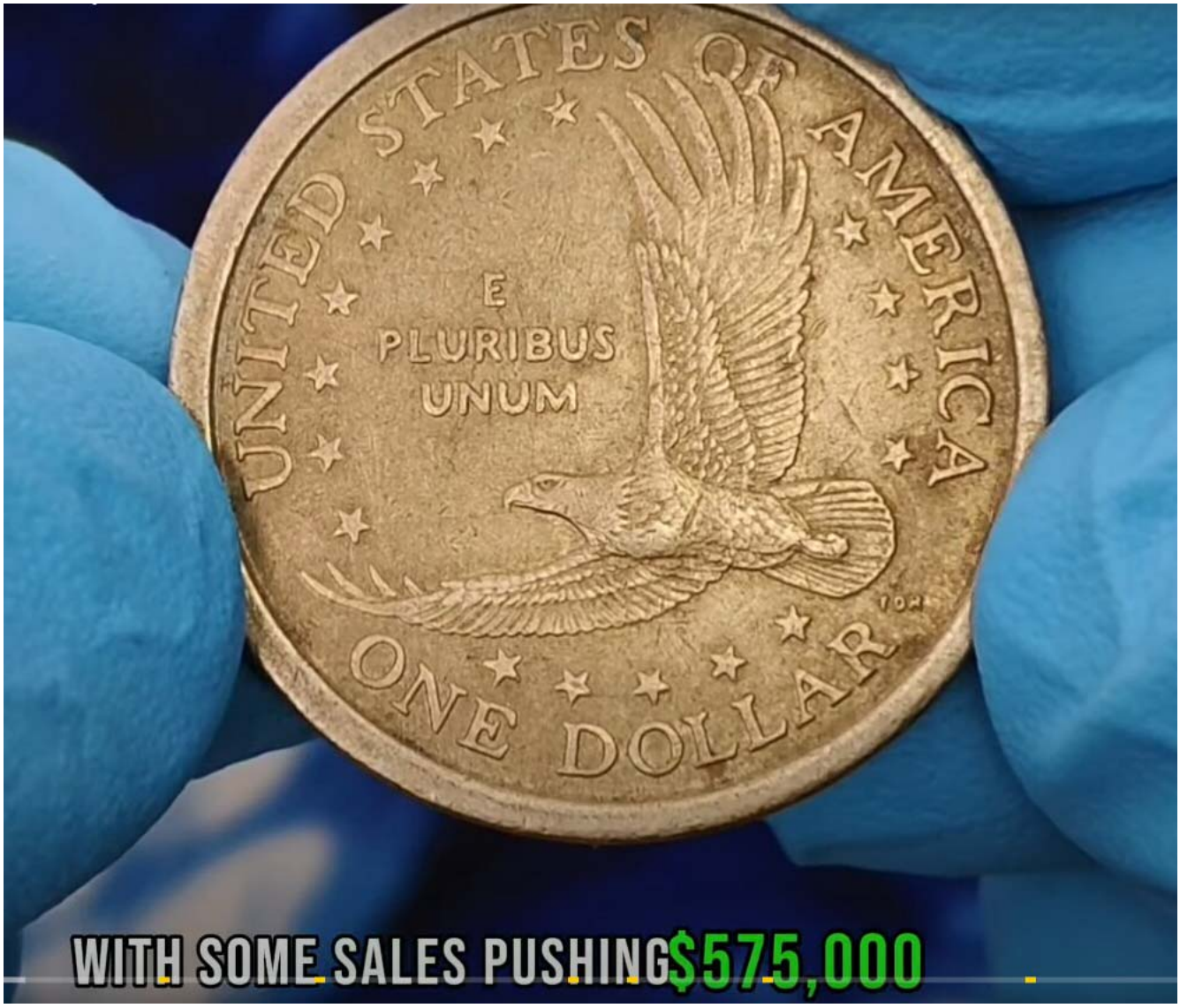
December 5, 2025 by Khesari Lal

Lincoln Wheat Penny Valued at $115 Million: The Lincoln Wheat Penny has been a staple of American coinage for over a century, but one particular penny has risen to legendary status. Valued at an astonishing $115 million, this rare coin has captured the imagination of collectors, historians, and enthusiasts worldwide. Despite its extraordinary value, examples of Lincoln Wheat Pennies continue to circulate, reminding us that even the smallest objects can hold immense historical and financial significance.

I have a couple of bags of these coins, am I a millionaire?



Shown here is a picture of a "very rare," <u>Gem BU</u>, 1979-D Susan B. Anthony dollar coin. Notice the fantastic condition!



Shown above is another extremely rare modern coin in Gem BU condition worth over half a million dollars!

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BRANCH MINT PROOFS & SPECIMENS

Doug Nyholm

The subject of this article is “Branch Mint” Proof and Specimen coinage. These coins are very rare with the largest estimated mintage of any issue being 24 coins, that being the documented mintage of the 1921-S Zerbe Proof Morgan Dollar of which only 4 or 5 can be traced today. There are a number of issues with documented mintages of 12 coins but the vast majority of these very elusive and special coins have no documented mintages and many are known by a single example, others with just 2 or 3 coins known. Obviously, with mintages or survival rates this small these Branch Mint Proofs, or as some have referred to them as ‘The Caviar of Coins.” Few collectors, and even many knowledgeable numismatists, have never had the opportunity to examine one, let alone own or purchase one. In modern times virtually all examples which have sold have done so at major auctions. When offered for sale it is not unusual for examples to attain sales figures into the 6 digits, one very famous one, the 1894-S dime has surpassed the million dollar barrier multiple times. There is no current book or reference for these coins, or list all of the known die characteristics, however many have been documented within the numismatic community. When possible I will include a picture of each coin.

DISCUSSION OF PROOF & SPECIMEN COINS

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For one who is interested in these rarities they cannot be found listed in the standard 'Red Book,' Trends or virtually any published price lists, and are seldom referred to in any publication except for a handful of somewhat obscure books and articles which have been published over the years. These few books and articles written concerning them over the past 50 years contain much information which is conjecture, speculation, and controversial. Many world class experts do not agree even today with each other's statements as to what is, what isn't, and even if the coin should be considered a Proof or Specimen coin. However, with the advent of certified coin encapsulation many of these coins have found their way into slabs which has brought about the additional certified grade of 'Specimen,' or 'SP.' A good number of these 'so-called' branch mint Proofs have been identified as Specimens. Some issues with a population greater than a single coin, have been slabbed under both specifications, Proof and Specimen by both PCGS and NGC (ANACS has also certified branch mint Proof and Specimen coins). This only adds to the speculation and conjecture that all expert numismatists do not always agree, even when a coin has been certified, but of course this is nothing new.

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The earliest generally recognized proof coinage from the US mint in Philadelphia is dated 1817 but the general distribution of proofs from Philadelphia didn't began until 1857 at which time accurate records were kept. Prior to 1857 the proofs executed at the Philadelphia mint were random and have a very small mintage, although most years and denominations were produced. Generally these early proofs were created to be given to dignitaries or early collectors who had connections directly with the mint. The Philadelphia mint possessed a large, high-pressure medal press which many of these early proofs were struck on. Also being the 'Mother Mint' most of the expertise required to manufacture proofs existed only in Philadelphia. Therefore the expertise needed for manufacturing proof coinage at San Francisco, New Orleans, Carson City and Denver relied on mint employees who seldom or never created proofs and in most cases were far from experts. This is one of the main reasons that the Proofs and Specimens created at these branch mints were not quite up to the quality and standards at Philadelphia, but there are some exceptions which are considered true proofs that are quite amazing. So amazing in fact is the 1855-S $3 Proof that one could easily identify it as a Philadelphia issue until the coin is turned over and the 'S' mintmark observed. Coins which do not quite measure up to this coin but are still special is the primary reason that many of these branch mint coins have been given the designation of 'Specimen.' #

The existence, or lack of documentation for branch mint proofs has been widely discussed, some have reasons for their creation which were documented, some have events which are

speculated to have led to their creation, while others have little or no reason as to why they were struck. As far as the certified examples, both PCGS and NGC have used Proof and Specimen while referring to these coins. There also seems to be little consistency in these labels. The definition or criteria for a coin to receive either a Specimen or Proof designation is in reality a moving target. As stated, the identification of these coins is quite open to interpretation and not all experts agree. Essentially the basic criteria for a proof coin is one that has been struck twice, both the dies and planchet have been specially prepared and polished, the rims are usually squared or possibly they have a wire rim, and the details are far superior to a normal strike due to heavier striking pressure, multiple strikes, and specially prepared dies, or all of the above. Generally the closer the branch mint proof mimics these features the more likely it will receive a Proof designation. If for some reason any of the above details are weak, incomplete or missing but there is significant evidence that the result is conclusive that there were special efforts in striking the coin, it may very well be awarded a Specimen or SP designation.

One additional visual effect of proof coins is that the lettering and devices appear to float on top of the field rather than just rise up above the field. Compare a modern proof with an uncirculated example and this is relatively easy to identify. As with just about everything, there are exceptions to all the above rules. One example is the 1921-S Zerbe Morgan dollar which has been called both a Proof and a Specimen. Examples of this coin can be very special looking but others may not look much better than a Proof-Like Morgan struck in the 1800's. In fact many people don't feel that this coin is a Proof at all as some examples appear that there was very little special preparation taken in striking this coin.

In summary, branch mint Proof and Specimen coinage is something amazing to behold. Many are beautiful while some are examples of historic events at various mints such as the opening or closing of a facility, first or last coinage of a type struck, or anyone's guess as to why someone decided to create a special coin. More importantly, is the fact that many of these coins survived. Just imagine what didn't survive.

Partial Listing of Proof & Specimen Coins

1838-O Half Dollar	1839-O Half Dollar
1839-O Dime	1843-D Half Eagle
1844-O Eagle	1844-O Half Eagle
1851-0 3 Cent	1851-O Dollar
1852-O Half Dollar	1853-O Eagle
1854-O Half Dollar	1854-S Double Eagle
1855-S Quarter	1855-S Half Dollar
1855-S $3 Gold	1856-O Double Eagle
1861-O Half Dollar	1875-S Twenty Cent
1876-CC Dime	1876-CC Half Dollar
1879-O Dollar	1882-CC Dollar
1883-O Dollar	1883-CC Dollar
1884-O Dollar	1884-CC Dollar
1891-O Dime	1891-O Quarter
1892-O Dime	1892-O Quarter
1892-O Half	1893-CC Dollar
1893-O Quarter	1894-S Dime
1895-O Half Dollar	1895-O Dollar
1898-S Quarter	1904-O Half Dollar
1906-D Dime	1906-D Double Eagle
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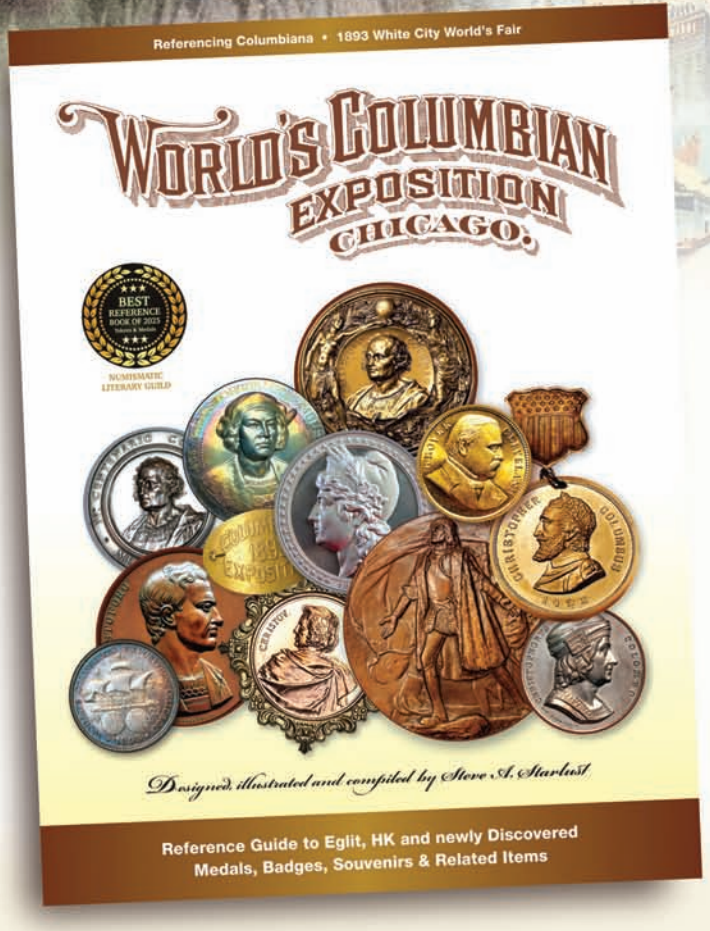
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2- **Commercial silver round Oz.**
3- **Comm. 1983 LA Games $-Silver**
4- **UNI-Face Club medal bronze**
5- **2023 Silver Eagle**
6- **2 dollar note 1928 D**
7- **1-dollar Sil-cert note 1957 A**
8- **1990 Silver $ IKE Comm.**
9- **2 dollar note 1928 D**

January Buy Of The Month - TBA

Thanks to Bruce Griggs, our curator, for this months prizes!

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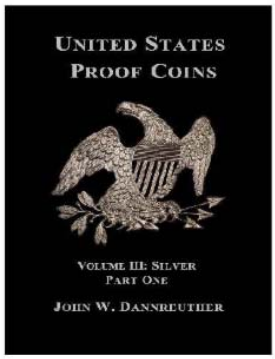

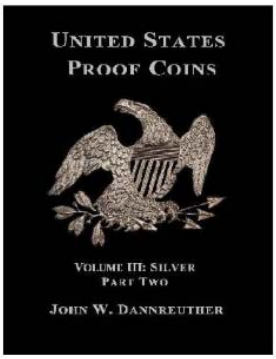

The 1254 page UNITED STATES PROOF COINS VOLUME III: SILVER
is at the printer. Delivery around December 20th if all goes as planned.

I'm offering a **discount of $50** off the $375 list price for pre-orders until the end of the year.
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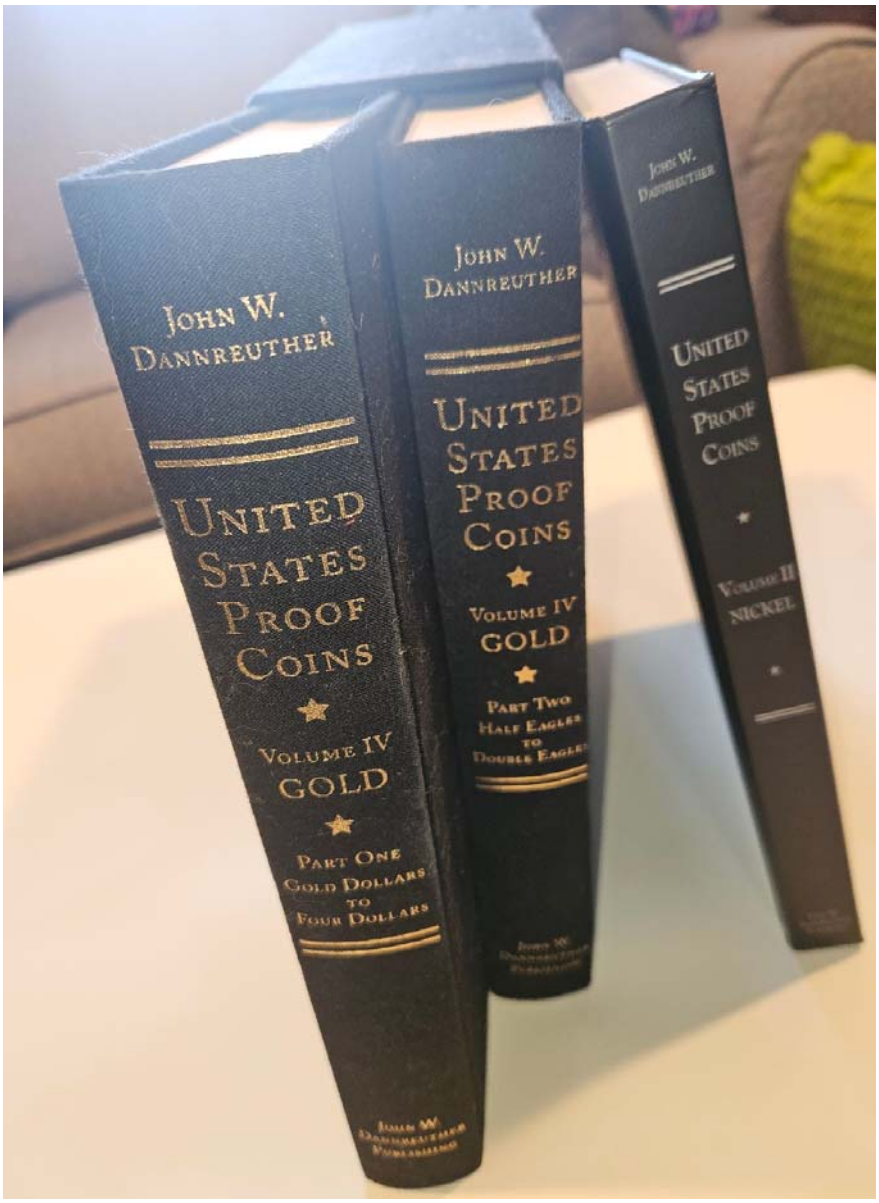
#On the preceding page is an ad for John Dannreuther's new book on Silver Proof Coinage. Interestingly his first book on Proof coinage was the 2-volume Volume IV followed by his book on Proof nickel coinage labled Volume II. His latest book(s) are silver Proof coinage which is Volume III. I suspect the future will be a Volume I on copper coinage. A little out of order but still by far the best books/information ever published on U.S. Proof coinage.

His first book(s) on Proof gold comprised 1,031 pages, the book on nickel had 369 pages and now his book on silver Proofs also 2 volumes contains a total of 1,272 pages. So far John Dannreuther's books comprise a total of 2,672 pages and when the copper volume is released I suspece there will be virtually 3,000 pages covering U.S. Proof coinage. The books are not cheap but are wonderful in the information they contain as well as hi-res color images of everything.

Most of us will never own more than a few pieces of 19th or early 20th century proof coins but these books are certainly eye candy as to what was produced.



EDITOR'S MESSAGE

Numismatic publications

December is the month that most of my numismatic subscriptions come due. This year my nine subscriptions have cost me about $375 (2 were for a 2-year period) but subscriptions are getting expensive. Again, Coin World, is one of he most expensive. Numismatic News was $60 for two years but Coin World including their glossy monthly magazine plus 40 weekly issues is about $130. I opted this year to receive their weekly issues via digital and the printed monthly issues for a total of $60. I really prefer hard copy and I hope the rest of the hobby doesn't attempt to push digital. Also, Coin Worlds weekly issues have drastically shrunk is size. (shrinkflation?) The latest Dec. 8th issue was only 34 pages which included 12 pages of advertising The same Numismatic News Dec. 9th edition contained 56 pages. This contained 24 pages of advertising. Therefore Numismatic News had 32 pages of information while CW had only 22 pages of information. I understand that many collators get their information directly from the internet but I also believe that the majority of seasoned colletors still prefer printed material. Most of the other publications I subscribe to have minimal advertising or hardly none at all. Everything I receive in my opinion keeps me informed with the hobby and I believe information is not only power but money. Agreed, I may be in the minority by subcribing to 10 publications but I do enjoy reading each and every one. I would be interested in your thoughts on any numismatic publications and what you subscribe to and read or what other sources of information you utilize. Drop me a note on your feelings and preferences.

Doug Nyholm

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2025 OMEGA CENT

Set #232 Breaks Record for the Most Valuable Modern U.S. Numismatic Item at $800,000

The very last circulating pennies, or "cents," sold for over $16.76 million in a special auction byStack's Bowers Galleries on Thursday, December 12th, presented on behalf of the United States Mint. Included in the sale were 232 three-coin sets featuring one each of the 2025 penny struck at the Philadelphia Mint, the 2025-D penny struck at the Denver Mint, and a historic 2025 penny struck in 24 karat gold also at the Philadelphia Mint. Each of these special coins exhibits a small "Ω" privy mark of the final Greek letter Omega, indicating their role as the capstone to a two-centuries long legacy that first began in 1793 with the Chain Cent.

After a slightly delayed start due to unprecedented levels of collector interest, the sale was underway with tremendous excitement stretching across nearly four hours of competitive bidding. Set #1, presented in the first lot of the sale, soared to an incredible price of $200,000 and established this as a landmark offering for the category's most elite collectors. The top price of the session was realized by Set #232, which sold for $800,000 as the last lot, and included the very last circulating penny intended for issuance struck at Philadelphia and Denver, along with the final Omega penny in gold. Also included in the lot were the three sets of canceled dies used to strike this historic series. With this $800,000 result, set #232 now ranks as the most valuable modern U.S. numismatic item, surpassing the prior record of $550,000 also set by Stack's Bowers Galleries in their sale of Space Flown 24 Karat Gold Sacagawea dollars in September 2025. The overall sale total of more than $16.76 million represents an average lot value of over $72,000 for each three-coin set, amounting to nearly 80 times the total combined gold melt value of around $210,000 at the time of the sale. In total, 17 lots each sold for more than $100,000.

This $16.76 million sale is now the highest value auction of special coins sold on behalf of the United States Mint, more than doubling the historic $7.5 million result of the 1933 Saint Gaudens double eagle sold by Stack's Bowers Galleries in 2002 (in partnership with Sotheby's). It also ranks among the most valuable single-owner auction sessions held by the firm across their 90-year history as America's oldest rare coin auctioneer.

"It's an extraordinary honor to again be selected to partner with the United States Mint to offer exciting numismatic rarities to the collecting public," noted Stack's Bowers Galleries President Brian Kendrella. "They captured the public imagination like few rare coins we've ever handled. Even our staff of expert numismatists, who see the world's most famous and valuable rare coins day in and day out, were excited by the chance to handle the very last pennies struck before the suspension of circulating production."
Remarkably, this $16.76 million Omega penny sale represents the fifth time Stack's Bowers Galleries has been selected by the United States Mint for a special auction, following their $7.5 million sale of the 1933 Saint-Gaudens $20 in July 2002, their $4.6 million sale of 35th Anniversary American Eagle coins in September 2022, their $8.2 million sale of 230th Anniversary Flowing Hair coins in December 2024 and their $3.2 million sale of the Space Flown 24 Karat Gold Sacagawea dollars in September 2025. No other auction firm in the world—specialized or generalist—boasts this repetitive selection by the United States Mint.

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1804 Silver Dollar sold by Stacks for $6 million.

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The previously unknown Class III 1804 dollar from the James A. Stack Sr. Collection was sold Dec. 9 for $6 million.
Image courtesy of Stack's Bowers Galleries

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The previously unknown example of the Class III type of the 1804 dollar rocketed to $5 million during the first segment of the sale of the James A. Stack Sr. Collection on Dec. 9. With the 20% buyer's fee, the selling price was an even $6 million.

The finest example known and the only 1804 to carry both CAC and CMQ stickers, it was graded Proof 65 by Professional Coin Grading Service.

The coin came into the sale with bids all the way to $4.6 million. Auctioneer Chris Ortega guided the action until the coin hit the $5 million mark, where it stayed until the hammer fell.

No Class III 1804 dollar has sold at auction since 2020 and the last 1804 dollar of any type was offered in 2021.

Despite extensive research of the few 1804 dollars made, no numismatic expert had any indication of this coin's existence until the Stack Collection was consigned to Stack's Bowers Galleries for sale.

Prior to the lot offering of the 1804 dollar, a new auction record was established for an 1800 Draped Bust dollar with the example from the Stack Collection selling for $264,000 with the buyer's premium.

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   - B) 1787 Brasher Doubloon
   - C) 1933 $20 Double Eagle
   - D) 1861 Pacquet $20 Liberth
2. What was the most valuable silver coin sold at a US auction?
   - A) 1794 Silver Dollar
   - B) 1804 Silver Dollar
   - C) 1885 Trade Dollar
   - D) 1873-CC No Arrows Dime
3. What was the most valuable nickel coin sold at a US auction?
   - A) 1792 Quarter Dollar
   - B) 1913 Liberty Head nickel
   - C) 1776 Continental Dollar
   - D) 1865 Pattern Shield nickel
4. What was the most valuable copper coin sold at a US auction?
   - A) 1792 Birch cent
   - B) 1793 Chain cent
   - C) 1839/6 Large cent
   - D) 1794 Strawberry Cent
5. What was the most valuable pattern coin sold at a US auction?
   - A) 1792 Birch cent
   - B) 1792 Silver Center Cent
   - C) 1792 Quarter
   - D) 1874 $10 Bickford Eatle
6. According to the Red Book which is the most valuable Colonial coin?
   - A) NE 2-Pence
   - B) Sommer Islands shilling
   - C) A Higley copper
   - D) Gloucester Token
7. According to the Red Book which company/organization produced the most valuable gold coin?
   - A) Templeton Reed
   - B) Pacific & Co.
   - C) Mormons
   - D) Schultz & Co.

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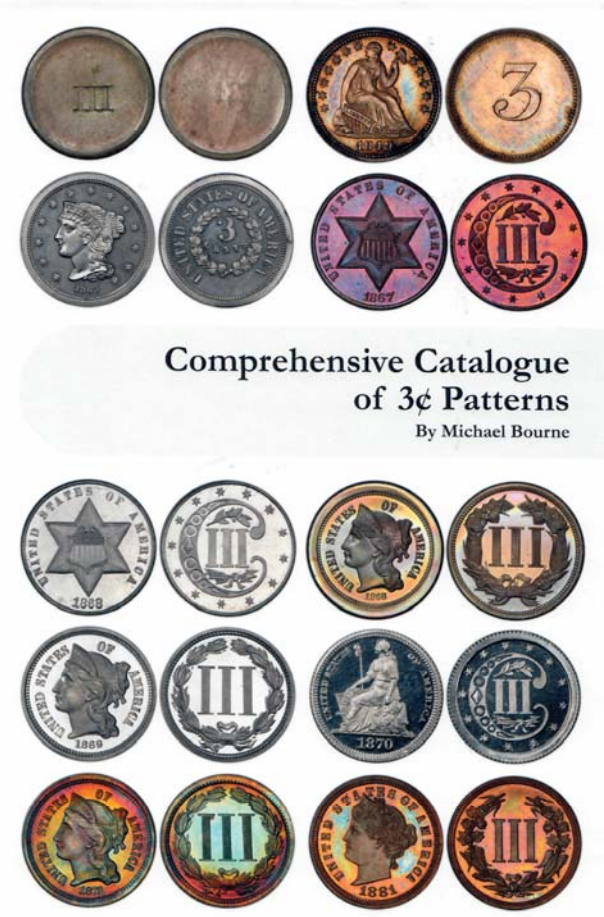
BOOK REVIEW

Doug Nyholm

Comprehensive Catalogue of 3c Patterns

By Michael Bourne

Doug Nyholm



I recently acquired this book on what appears to be a very specialized book. I thought how much can be said regarding 3-cent pattern coinage. Then I looked at the book and saw it was 457 pages in length.

The first 3-cent patters was produced in 1849 while the last was in 1885. First, there really are not enough significantly different 3-cent designs to take up 457 pages although there are a good number of designs. The majority of those listed in this book are struck on different metal planchets and many with small differences in their design easily overlooked by the casual observer,

Other than the coins themselves the author had done extensive research in auction and previous sale records of every coin listed. These records go back to 1860 with some coins having several pages of records listed. Included are auction company, grade, lot #, and price realized amongst other information. I found the price realized over more than a century to be quite interesting some sold for less than a dollar 100+ years ago while today some of them passed the $10,000 mark.

Also virtually all examples are pictured in . along with each example. Amazingly most 3cent patterns in this book are part of the authors collection. The book is printed in color and hard-bound available on the internet usually for just under $90. Prices vary as it appears that copies may be scarce an possibly out of print.

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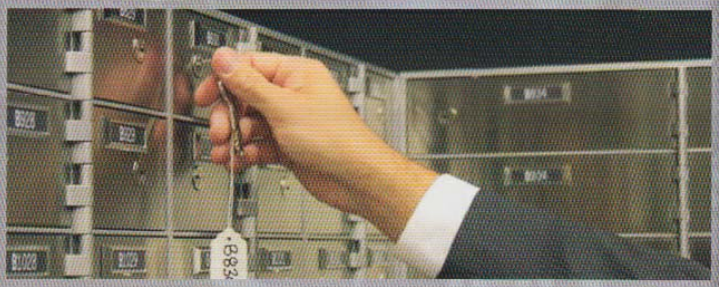

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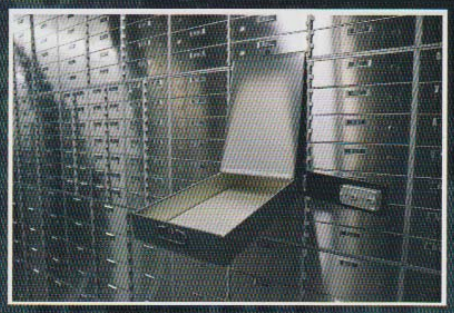

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3. **B**
4. **A**
5. **A**
6. **A**
7. **A**